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FOR: METHOD FOR DETERMINING A CONCENTRATION OF TARGET NUCLEIC ACID

MOLECULES, NUCLEIC ACID PROBES FOR THE METHOD, AND METHOD FOR

ANALYZING DATA OBTAINED BY THE METHOD

REQUEST TO CORRECT TITLE OF INVENTION

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SIR:

In the matter of the above-identified application for patent, we hereby request correction of your records to reflect the correct title of the invention. The title of the invention should read as follows: METHOD FOR DETERMINING A CONCENTRATION OF TARGET NUCLEIC ACID MOLECULES, NUCLEIC ACID PROBES FOR THE METHOD, AND METHOD FOR ANALYZING DATA OBTAINED BY THE METHOD.

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